
Public Notice

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Eagle Beach Association

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Buffalo District CELRB-CO-R RE: 1999-01554(0) Section: OH 10 and 404

**Application for Permit under Authority of
Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and
Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).**

The Eagle Beach Association, 3581 Eagle Beach Circle, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452, has requested a Department of the Army permit to construct an armor stone revetment, a steel sheet pile bulkhead pier, and an armor stone "T" groin. The project is located along the shoreline of and in Lake Erie, across the street from 3581 Eagle Beach Circle, in the City of Port Clinton, Ottawa County, Ohio.

The project consists of the following:

- a. A total of approximately 34 linear feet (80 cubic yards) of the end of the existing armor stone and concrete groin will be removed. All of the material is located below ordinary high water (OHW) elevation 573.4 feet International Great Lakes Datum (IGLD) 1985.
- b. Approximately 108 linear feet of new armor stone revetment will be constructed lakeward of an existing concrete seawall along the entire length of the shoreline of his property. The top elevation of the revetment will be 578.0 feet (IGLD) 1985. The revetment will have a 3 foot flat top, 2:1 slopes on all exposed sides, and a composition of clean 3-5 ton armor stone. The toe of the slope will be keyed into the lake bottom and will be located 17 feet out into Lake Erie.
- c. A new steel sheet pile bulkhead pier will extend out 60 linear feet perpendicular from the existing concrete seawall. It will be 20 feet wide and will enclose the remaining existing groin. The piling will be anchored into the lake bottom bedrock with drilled steel pins. Walers and struts will be installed as reinforcement within the pier at 10 feet on center. The pier will be filled with new ODOT 601 "C" stone and topped with a steel-reinforced 12 inch concrete slab to an elevation of 576.0 feet (IGLD) 1985.
- d. The horizontal top of the "T" armor stone groin will be 6 feet wide by 30 feet long and have an elevation of 576.0 feet (IGLD) 1985. All sides of the groin will have a 2:1 slope, and the toe of all slopes will be keyed into the sand and gravel lake bottom. The waterward toe of the "T" groin will extend 24 feet out from the end of the bulkhead pier.

Approximately 354 cubic yards of 3-5 ton armor stone and 45 cubic yards of ODOT 601 type "C" stone will be placed below OHW 573.4 feet (IGLD) 1985.

The applicant's stated purposes are to reduce wave splash along the concrete seawall which causes the sand to wash outward, to provide a better access pier for the Eagle Beach residents, and to help retain sand material with the "T" groin.

Location and details of the above described work are shown on the attached maps and drawings.

Questions pertaining to the work described in this notice should be directed to Paul F. Wetzel, who can be contacted by calling (419) 353-6307, or by e-mail at: Paul.F.Wetzel@usace.army.mil

There are no registered historic properties or properties listed as being eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places that will be affected by this project.

In addition, available evidence indicates that the proposed work will not affect a species proposed or designated by the U.S. Department of the Interior as threatened or endangered, nor will it affect the critical habitat of any such species.

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, parts 320-330. Any interested party desiring to comment on the work described herein may do so by submitting their comments, in writing, so that they are received no later than 4:30 pm on the expiration date of this notice.

Comments should be sent to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1616 East Wooster Street, Unit R-1-E, Box O, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402-3456, and should be marked to the attention of Paul F. Wetzel, or by e-mail at: Paul.F.Wetzel@usace.army.mil. A lack of response will be interpreted as meaning that there is no objection to the work as proposed.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be fully considered during the public interest review for this permit application. All written comments will be made a part of the administrative record. Due to resource limitations, this office will normally not acknowledge the receipt of comments or respond to individual letters of comment.

Any individual may request a public hearing by submitting their written request, stating the specific reasons for holding a hearing, in the same manner and time period as other comments.

Public hearings for the purposes of the Corps permit program will be held when the District Commander determines he can obtain additional information, not available in written comments, that will aid him in the decision making process for this application. A Corps hearing is not a source of information for the general public, nor a forum for the resolution of issues or conflicting points of view (witnesses are not sworn and cross examination is prohibited). Hearings will not be held to obtain information on issues unrelated to the work requiring a permit, such as property ownership, neighbor disputes, or the behavior or actions of the public or applicant on upland property not regulated by the Department of the Army. Information obtained from a public hearing is given no greater weight than that obtained from written comments. Therefore, you should not fail to make timely written comments because a hearing might be held.

The decision to approve or deny this permit request will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among these are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy

needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Paul G. Leuchner
Chief, Regulatory Branch

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